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Hi nancy,

If we can get Jim's top five or so and focus on those Friday that would be great. Just tell us which numbers to read thru in more detail. Thanks!

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I just got it myself too. No worries if you don't have time to look at it. I think for discussion for Friday should be what you may see as the significant issues from the comments. I'm trying to get a list of the main issues and Jim Walker can provide his additional input on the main issues. We have a 2 hour meeting on Tuesday 1/24 with Excelsior, the applicant, to discuss the comments, and I would like to focus on the main issues.

If you have input on a more efficient process, let us know. I think it would be premature to provide all of the Cadmus comments to the applicant at this time without more time to consider the comments.

Thanks, Nancy

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Hi Nancy,

Since this is 28 pages of comments, can you direct us to what you'd like to focus on for our call on Friday, please?

Thanks!

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Hi Kate and Nancy,

Please find attached the Cadmus comments document based on our technical review of the Excelsior December 2016 response to the EPA October 2016 Request for Information.

Please let us know if you have any questions. I believe a follow-up call between you and Jim is planned for Friday, January 20. (Has a time been set for that call yet?)

Thank you,

Jonathan

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Thank you for the quick response, Leslie.

We'll keep moving on it!

Jonathan

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Hi Johnathan,

The revised LOE estimates and deliverable dates for the Excelsior response review are acceptable.

Thanks,

Leslie

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Hi Nancy and Leslie (and David and Kate),

Jim and I have discussed the Excelsior response review work that we've all exchanged emails on. From this point forward we'll develop comments for the responses, but at this time will not prepare summaries of responses.

We estimate this will take between [Ex. 4 - CBI] total (the work is about half completed now), and based on Jim's discussions with Nancy it sounds like a [Ex. 4 - CBI] for the written comments works for everyone. (That will be followed by a conference call between EPA & Cadmus/Jim on ~Jan 20 and another between EPA, Cadmus/Jim & Excelsior on Jan 24; the calls are under the separate Task 5 Consultation Support for this project.)

The original and updated LOE estimates and deliverable dates are in the original and updated TDMs (below).

Please let us know if the revised LOE and due date is acceptable, and/or if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Jonathan

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Hi Jonathan/Jim --

We just received a response from Excelsior addressing our Oct 2016 Notice Of Deficiency letter (see attached). Therefore, we need assistance under Task 4 for technical review (see below email thread for initial TDM).

**Under Task 4 (Project Technical Review)**, the contractor shall provide technical review for revised/updated Excelsior Class III permit documentation and supporting material. The contractor shall incorporate any comments from EPA and shall provide a final draft to the EPA WACOR.

- o Material: Excelsior NOD response and Excelsior ADEQ APP supplement permit application.
- o **Ex. 4 - CBI**
- o Deliverable: Prepare written comments in a format agreed upon with Nancy during kick-off call (TBD)
- o Schedule:
  - Kick-off call: Nancy will coordinate with Jim but will target week of December 29<sup>th</sup>
  - Deliverable: written comments due week of January 9<sup>th</sup>
  - Call with Excelsior: Tentatively 1/24/2017 [Nancy will coordinate directly with Jim on call logistics.]



I plan to mail the material directly to Jim today. In addition to the NOD response, I will include a copy Excelsior's ADEQ APP supplemental permit application. There is info/material in the supplemental application that might be useful for your review of the NOD response.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Kate

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Hi Jonathan – below is a new work initiation request under Contract No. EP-C-15-022, WA 1-90 for Excelsior. Please let me know if you have any questions. You have already confirmed that Jim will work on this project so I am cc'ing him on this email.

Nancy is the tech lead on this project and she will cc: you and me on all call logistics and tech review items.

See Task 5, section a. for info on upcoming call. I am still working out the logistics and will update you when I get more information.

Thanks. Kate

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**Contract No. EP-C-15-022, Workplan Assignment No. 1-90**

**R9 Tech Support for Implementation of the UIC Program – Excelsior Mining Company - Class III UIC Permit #R9UIC-AZ1-FY-16-1**

**Task 4 (Project Technical Reviews) & Task 5 (Consultation)**

**Technical Direction**

**Background:** Excelsior Mining Company (Excelsior) has submitted a UIC area permit application to operate a Class III ISR copper mining facility in Chochise County, AZ.

On 3/24/2016, we issued a TDM requesting a technical review of Excelsior's Class III permit application. Cadmus submitted technical review comments on 6/8/2016 (see attached: Comments on the Excelsior Mining Arizona Gunnison Copper Project\_6-8-2016.docx). EPA utilized these comments to issue the attached Notice of Deficiency on 10/14/2016 to Excelsior. Excelsior has requested a conference call with EPA Region 9 to discuss the NOD.

**Under Task 5 (Consultation),** the contractor shall make available a staff person to consult, directly with EPA staff and/or on calls with EPA & applicant, on the Excelsior Class III permit application and supporting material.

- o Material: Will be sent prior to call or discussed on call.
  - o Ex. 4 - CBI (includes prep time)
  - o Deliverable: Summary of consultation support -- noted in monthly progress report and if possible, within 5 working days of the conference call, send draft notes to EPA via email.
- a. Call scheduled for Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am to 11:00 am. Pre-discussion and de-brief discussion may be requested (TBD) and will be organized by Nancy Rumrill as needed.

- [ ] Material to review: 6/8/2016 Cadmus comments and 10/14/2016 NOD.
- [ ] **Ex. 4 - CBI** (includes prep and calls)
- [ ] Deliverable: written summary of consultation provided on call.

**Under Task 4 (Project Technical Review)**, the contractor shall provide technical review for revised/updated Excelsior Class III permit documentation and supporting material. The contractor shall incorporate any comments from EPA and shall provide a final draft to the EPA WACOR.

- Material: same as under Consultation Task and additional material as provided by the applicant.
- **Ex. 4 - CBI**
- Deliverable: Prepare written comments in a format agreed upon when tech review is requested.
- Schedule: 1 – 2 weeks for each request unless noted otherwise.

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